at least two receiving devices (6, 106) on the substrate for receiving the respective surface waves after their passage through the respective active surfaces (10, 110).

REMARKS:

The claims in the application are 1-26, 28 and Claim 29 added by the present amendment.

Favorable consideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

Claim 29 introduced herein corresponds to Claim 8 amended to depend from Claim 1. Claims 2, 5, 6 and 18-20 have been amended to more accurately reflect an English translation from the original German text. In this regard, the specification has been amended at the appropriate locations.

More particularly, Claim 6 has been amended to recite that the interdigital transducer 3 is tapered, as shown in Fig. 1. Claim 2 has been amended to recited that the external variable includes a local magnetic field as described at page 18, line 8 of the specification. Claim 5 has been amended to recite that the position of the surface wave beam changes with the input frequency as described at page 16, line 11 of the specification. Recitation in claims 18-20 has been clarified as described in the inventive methods herein with the word - -comprising- - inserted into independent Claim 1 and spelling in Claim 23 corrected.

A marked-up copy is enclosed together with the requisite fee for the additional claim introduced herein.

Early favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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